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# Daily Democrat.

Cobden on the Strength and Weakness of England.

On Tuesday, the 5th ultmo, in a debate on the Schleswig-Holstein question, Mr. Cobden opposed the interference of England, in a powerful speech. He asks for the ability of England to cope with 40,000,000 of Germans, and states the military "situation" in respect to the power of Great Britain, as follows:

Have those who talk about entering into these affairs and settling them in a spirit of dictation, ever considered what is our ability to carry out our will in any way on the continent of Europe? For our own defense in our island home our powers are, if I may speak it without irreverence, all but omnipotent. All the world could not assault us in our island home. [Hear, hear.] But when we talk of our power to coerce military nations on the Continent, we should remember that it is very limited. [Hear, hear.] "Send a fleet to the Baltic," we say, the nation is bound to do another place. What would a fleet do in the Baltic? Blockade the Prussian ports? Why the railroads have practically rendered blockade altogether impotent. [Hear, hear.] I will tell you all the difference a blockade of the Prussian ports would make. We get 1,200,000 qrs of wheat from Prussia last year. If there were a blockade, it would come by railway, at a few shillings additional expense, through Holland, Belgium, France, and Spain, and we should have to pay a great deal more. [Hear, hear.] What would happen in regard to other expenses and imports. Practically blockades have lost their ancient power as an instrument of war, excepting in an extraordinary case, such as we may see in America, where the blockading party also commands the internal communications of the country. [Hear, hear.] I must not forget to mention that we are also liable to attack in this way. [Hear, hear.] Recent experience has shown that we cannot localize war in sea, and we shall be exposed to retaliation on the land. What would we do in the case of war with Prussia? Our men would be with the whole German people, for, as I said before, the Austrian and Prussian Governments are mere demagogues doing the behests of the German population. The latter have an honest sympathy with the Schleswig-Holsteiners. They are actuated, I believe, by generous motives, and I dare say a large portion of them are heartily ashamed of the champion who forced themselves into their service. [Hear, hear.] What could you do in a war with 40,000,000 of Germans? I will not go into that in detail, but I will refer to this question, I am now speaking in answer to the honorable gentleman, the member for North Warwickshire. What could you do to maintain that slice of land in Schleswig for the Danes? We should have to fight the whole German people, in a frenzy of excitement, thoroughly. In earnest, imbued with convictions which are the growth of ten or twelve years' constant pamphleteering, lecturing, newspaper reading. You might attack Austria. You might attack France. You might call up your legions, but would the German people, in great alarm, see the extreme Teutonic limits of Austria cut away? [Hear, hear.] You would not be attacking the German race there, and it is against them that you would have a grievance. Your army would do little. It is proposed to send an army either to Germany or elsewhere to contend in the field against a great military nation? Your army is already engaged in other fields. You have at this moment upwards of 70,000 troops in India, 100,000 in China, 100,000 in Africa, 100,000 in America, making a total of 400,000 troops in India alone. You have two little armies in China, separated from each other by 1,000 miles of country. For the first time you have this year placed a detachment of troops in Japan. You have 10,000 fighting men in their battle;—I will not say whose battle, [hear, hear]—in New Zealand; you have from 10,000 to 15,000 troops in British North America, commanding a point of honor; the task of defending a frontier line of 1,500 miles against a country which can keep 700,000 men in the field. You have other detachments at the Cape of Good Hope and the West Indies, and you are just emerging from war with Abyssinia, to say nothing of your garrisons in Malta, Gibraltar, and elsewhere. The world never saw such a dispersion of forces as that. [Hear, hear.] It used to be a received maxim in war that concentration gives strength, and dispersion entails weakness. [Hear, hear.] I do not say a word as to the policy of keeping these troops distributed all over the world. I merely state the fact, and ask you whether you think the circumstances of your having these troops scattered about in three remote fields is not duly taken into account, and is not employed in discounting your force in the eyes of a nation like Europe, to whom you use menacing language. [Hear, hear.] I say that it would be folly and that it would be childish if we were to conceal from ourselves these facts. I do not quite know to disperse your power at home. I began by saying that you are all but omnipotent at home; but when your messengers are telling us that it is with difficulty that you can afford to serve in your army, you surely cannot expect foreign governments to be intimidated by the prospect of your going to war with them on land. [Hear, hear.] These I am afraid, are the circumstances under which we not only resort too much to threats, but they are circumstances under which our Government has actually proposed within the last six months to unite with other countries on the Continent in a gluttony of war with Germany. [Cheers.] We heard a fortnight ago that there was a talk of the country being called out to be placed in a war for Schleswig-Holstein. They know what many of the papers—some of them supposed to be under the inspiration of certain parties who were writing up war at that time, but those who had the opportunity of mixing with members of this House on both sides of the House felt that war on the part of the Government for Schleswig-Holstein would not have been supported by a majority of this House. [Cheers.] I believe that those members of this House who represent the great interests of the great centers of the mining, manufacturing, commercial, shipping, and financial interests, and who are in constant and almost, you may say, memetic communication with the more intelligent minds of their own localities—I have no doubt that they felt an unseen power pressing upon them the necessity of avoiding war on this point and almost incomprehensible question. [Cheers.] It was the feeling of a member of this House that projected the possibility of the Cabinet, or of any section of the Cabinet, taking a single step of a holiness that might have led us into war. [Cheers.] Does not this show that we were in great danger before the armament met of being involved in a war by a secret alliance from which this House could not possibly have disengaged it? I say deliberately, and challenge any one to contradict me, that there are not fifty men in this House now who would vote for a war with Germany for Schleswig-Holstein on any issue that has been presented to us. If I am not speaking the sober truth, let anybody contradict me. Indeed, I almost doubt if there are five members in this House who would take up the cause, I think the honorable gentleman opposite (Mr. Newdegate) found some difficulty to-day in finding a seconder. [Cries of "Whaley," and laughter.] Well, it was the honorable member for Peterborough who seconded the motion. [Laughter.] And we know that there is a strong and friendly sympathy on certain topics which draw those two honorable gentlemen together. [Laughter.] I put it to honorable gentlemen that this House—those who who support the Government, and to you the other side who may very shortly have to take upon yourselves the responsibility of office; I put it to both sides of the House, it is not high time that there was some mode devised by which the Government should know the wish of this House upon these and kindred questions, because we do not know to what extent this it may be half over Europe, and the question that we have to ask ourselves is whether we ought to take part in it.

**A Seal Story.**  
The last number of the North British Review contains an interesting narrative of a "Fortnight in Fance," from which we extract the following:

We are in great luck; we run on bravely in the night, and in the forenoon we sight the high land in Uss, some forty miles off. The wind flags a little, but is still fair, and the sun is really broiling. Now the birds of Shetland come out to meet us, and we hail our Fance friends in inverse order. There are shoals both of herring and mackerel schools, and the birds, before they dive, approach us, as if to say, "What is it as if to say, "For whom whence do you come?"

But what answers us most of all is to see a seal, and one of the larger sort, gravely swimming by himself with a resolute look, as if he had made up his mind not to stop till he reaches Greenland at the very least. Perhaps he has quarreled with his wife and deserted her, perhaps he is only out like our friend on a summer tour, trying change of food and cold sea bathing for his health; perhaps he is flying from his creditors and making the best of his way to the United States. Whatever the cause, there he is, and so is go on keeping a seal, and the birds, with such a resolute look out of our way. Magnus eyes him with great respect and fondness, and then says, "The seals are a strange race. No one can altogether understand them. That Carlo had quite a man's eye, and I'll be bound he could have haled it if he chose. You know they were men once, the seals."

"Yes, we have heard tell of this, but what does Magnus know about it?" "Well," says Magnus, "I didn't see it myself, and so I can't speak about it as if I did; but one believes many things one has never seen, and the son says we must all live by faith, and so I believe what I am going to tell you, and indeed we all believe it in Fance."

"A while ago, thirty or forty years maybe, there was a man of Skufo who wished to get by night from that island across the fiord to Sandor so he got into his boat, an weather was good, and rowed himself over. When he was almost across, he came to a bit of sandy holm that was there, not far from the land, and he ran in the moonlight, for it was the full, a host of people were on the island. What was he to do? He was a fisherman, because no one lived on the holm, and no one lives there now, but he thought he would just see what they were doing. He was a bold young fellow, who had never failed him, and, besides, he had a bold head on his shoulders. As he pulled his boat up he saw over so many seals lying around on the shore, and as he went he picked up one and held it in his hand, scarcely knowing why. As soon as he got near to the fiord, he saw they were all women, and some of them good looking too, and he was a fisherman, and in such good Fance for her sealkin, that he ran to the shore because she could not get her sealkin. When he reached her she begged him to take her sealkin, and as he went he picked up one and held it in his hand, and he looked at the man he liked her, so the end of it was he held the sealkin tight about his body, and put the lassie into his boat and rowed back home with her. Yes, the way back, for he wanted to show his tribe to his mother. Well, she lived there with them for a little while, for all the world like another woman, and when they wanted to have her baptize, she said she had been baptized by a friend in person in Skufo, and the baptism was done. Then she came to the fiord, and when he was faster than her, maybe he was tired by the long row. But as he looked after them, he could scarcely believe his eyes when he saw them each throw a sealkin over their shoulders, and, lo! in a trice they were turned into seals, and dashed and splashed into the water—all but one, the best looking of all, who stood there weeping on the shore because she could not get her sealkin. When he reached her she begged him to take her sealkin, and as he went he picked up one and held it in his hand, and he looked at the man he liked her, so the end of it was he held the sealkin tight about his body, and put the lassie into his boat and rowed back home with her. Yes, the way back, for he wanted to show his tribe to his mother. Well, she lived there with them for a little while, for all the world like another woman, and when they wanted to have her baptize, she said she had been baptized by a friend in person in Skufo, and the baptism was done. Then she came to the fiord, and when he was faster than her, maybe he was tired by the long row. 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